

IN THE CLAIMS:

The following is a complete listing of claims in this application.

1. (currently amended) Roll stock cradle support structure for receiving and supporting one or more pieces of roll stock, comprising:

a flat flexible base strip of rigid or semi-rigid plastic material having a longitudinal axis and an upper surface and a lower surface,

at least one set of facing cradle portions of pre-selected dimensions integrally formed on top of and along the longitudinal axis of one flat base strip surface in a single row, with a section of flat base strip surface separating the facing cradle portions, thereby forming a roll support cradle,

each cradle portion comprising a substantially vertical end wall and an arcuately shaped segment of rigid or semi-rigid plastic material, said segment being reinforced by members connecting the arcuately shaped segments with the end wall or base strip,

said structure providing a flexibility due to the independent operation of the cradle portions and due to the flat plastic base strip between ~~them~~ the cradle portions, allowing for roll stock of varying diameter sizes to be stacked securely.

2. (currently amended) A roll stock cradle support structure as in Claim 1, having at least two ~~or more~~ support cradles formed on the one flat base strip surface, each structure comprising cradle portions which are terminal cradle portions at the ends of the base strip and at least one pair of back to back cradle portions having ~~their~~ arcuate segments facing away from each other positioned between the terminal cradle portions, the facing cradle portions separated by a section of the flat base strip,

said structure providing a flexibility due to the independent operation of each support cradle and the flat plastic base strip, allowing for stock of varying sizes to be stacked securely.

3. (original) A roll stock cradle support structure as in Claim 2, wherein the central back to back cradle portions are spaced apart with deformable plastic connecting segments.

4. (original) A roll stock cradle support structure as in Claim 3 wherein the deformable plastic connecting segments are curved strips whose curvature is deformable under pressure.

5. (previously presented) A roll stock cradle support structure as in Claim 2, having between two and 10 support cradles.

Claim 6 (canceled).

7. (currently amended) A roll stock cradle support structure as in Claim 1, having support cradles on both surfaces of the base strip with flat base strip sections separating facing cradle portions, and with cradle portions on the upper surface and cradle portions on the lower surface in opposed relationship.

8. (previously presented) A roll stock cradle support structure as in Claim 1, wherein the plastic material is a polyolefin polymer.

9. (previously presented) A roll stock cradle support structure as in Claim 8 wherein the plastic material is selected from the group consisting of polyethylene, polypropylene, mixtures or copolymers of polyethylene and polypropylene and recycled products of polyethylene and polypropylene.

Claim 10 (canceled).

11. (previously presented) A roll stock cradle support structure as in Claim 1, wherein the arcuately shaped segment has an arc diameter of between 200 and 320 mm, and the

vertical height of the cradle is between 100 and 1000 mm.

Claim 12 (canceled).

13. (previously presented) A method of manufacturing roll stock cradle support structures as claimed in Claim 1 comprising providing a suitable mold and injection molding therein a thermoplastic polymer at predetermined temperature, cooling the mold and removing the support structure therefrom.

Claims 14-16 (canceled).